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**Request  
For  
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Transmittal**

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Application Number	09/877,409
Filing Date	June 7, 2001
First Named Inventor	Bruce Ruana
Art Unit	3671
Examiner Name	Hilary Gutman
Attorney Docket Number	Ruana-002

**This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application.**  
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**1. Submission required under 37 CFR 1.114**

- a. ☐ Previously submitted
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(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).
- ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Rely Brief previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_
- iii. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_
- b. ☒ Enclosed
- i. ☒ Amendment/Reply
- ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/ Declaration(s)
- iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
- iv. ☒ Other RCE

**2. Miscellaneous**

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR 1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 CFR 1.17(i) required)
- b. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

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- The RCE fee under 37 CFR 1.17(e) is required by 37 CFR 1.114 when the RCE is filed.  
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- iii. ☒ Other Petition to Revive Unintentionally Abd. Application
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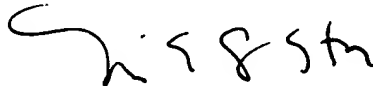
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Respectfully submitted,  
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